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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses
of United Nations peacekeeping operations

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 55/235 and 55/236 of 23 December 2000 and 58/256 of 23 December 2003,

Recalling also its request to the Secretary-General in its resolution 55/235 to update the composition of the levels of contribution of Member States for peacekeeping operations described therein on a triennial basis, in conjunction with the regular budget scale of assessment reviews, in accordance with the criteria established in the resolution, and to report thereon to the General Assembly,

Recalling further its request to the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session on the updating of the composition of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations for the period 2007 to 2009, in accordance with the provisions of resolution 55/235,

Recalling its decision in paragraph 16 of its resolution 55/235 to review the structure of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations after nine years,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of its resolutions 55/235 and 55/236,¹

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;¹
2. *Endorses* the updated composition of levels to be applied in adjusting regular budget scale rates to establish Member States' rates of assessment for peacekeeping operations for the period 2007 to 2009;²

¹ A/61/139 and Corr.1.

² Ibid., annex II.



3. *Decides* that Montenegro and Serbia should both be assigned to level I for 2006;

4. *Also decides* to review the structure of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations at its sixty-fourth session;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-fourth session on the updating of the composition of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations for the period 2010 to 2012 in the light of the Assembly's decision to review the structure of levels.

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United Nations common system

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United Nations common system: report of the International Civil Service Commission

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 44/198 of 21 December 1989, 51/216 of 18 December 1996, 52/216 of 22 December 1997, 53/209 of 18 December 1998, 55/223 of 23 December 2000, 56/244 of 24 December 2001, 57/285 of 20 December 2002, 58/251 of 23 December 2003, 59/268 of 23 December 2004 and 60/248 of 23 December 2005,

Having considered the reports of the International Civil Service Commission for the years 2004,¹ 2005² and 2006,³ the note by the Secretariat submitting the report of the Panel on the Strengthening of the International Civil Service⁴ and the note by the Secretary-General on the findings and recommendations of the Panel,⁵

Having also considered the notes by the Secretary-General on the Senior Management Network⁶ and the mobility and hardship allowance,⁷

Reaffirming its commitment to a single, unified United Nations common system as the cornerstone for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system,

Convinced that the common system constitutes the best instrument through which to secure staff with the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity for the international civil service, as stipulated in the Charter of the United Nations,

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/59/30),* vols. I and II.

² *Ibid., Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/60/30).*

³ *Ibid., Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/61/30).*

⁴ A/59/153.

⁵ A/59/399.

⁶ A/60/209.

⁷ A/60/723.



Reaffirming the statute of the Commission and the central role of the Commission and the General Assembly in the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system,

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005² and 2006;³

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the United Nations Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to urge the heads of the organizations of the United Nations common system to fully support the work of the Commission, including by providing the latter with relevant information in a timely manner for studies that it conducts under its statutory responsibilities for the common system;

I Conditions of service applicable to both categories of staff

A Review of the pay and benefits system

Recalling section I.E, paragraph 1, of its resolution 44/198 of 21 December 1989, section VI of its resolution 51/216 of 18 December 1996, section I.C of its resolution 55/223 of 23 December 2000, section II.A, paragraph 7, of its resolution 57/285 of 20 December 2002, section I.C of its resolution 59/268 of 23 December 2004, and section XVIII of its resolution 60/248 of 23 December 2005,

A1 Pilot study of broad-banding/pay-for-performance

1. *Takes note* of the decisions of the Commission contained in paragraph 42 of its 2005 report² and paragraph 43 of its 2006 report;³

2. *Notes with concern* that a project manager has yet to be selected in accordance with the pilot project's terms of reference as outlined in paragraph 86 (a) of the 2003 report of the Commission* and taken note of by the General Assembly in section I.A, paragraph 2, of its resolution 58/251 of 23 December 2003;

3. *Requests* the Commission to ensure the dedicated project leadership required for the successful completion of the pilot study;

A2 Spouse benefits

Takes note of the decision of the Commission contained in paragraph 63 of its 2005 report;²

A3 Mobility and hardship allowance

1. *Commends* the Working Group for developing the proposed changes in the mobility and hardship scheme;

* Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/58/30).

2. *Approves* the definitions of hardship and mobility as outlined in paragraphs 76 and 77 of the 2005 report of the Commission;²

3. *Also approves* the proposed arrangements for mobility, hardship, non-removal and assignment grants as set out in annex II of the 2005 report of the Commission;

4. *Decides* to implement the new system with effect from 1 January 2007;

A4

Education grant: review of the methodology for determining the level of the grant

1. *Takes note* of the decision of the Commission contained in paragraph 110 of its 2005 report;²

2. *Approves*, with effect from the school year in progress on 1 January 2007, the recommendation of the Commission in paragraph 63 of its 2006 report³ modifying the eligibility period for the education grant;

A5

Education grant: review of the level

Approves, with effect from the school year in progress on 1 January 2007, the recommendations of the Commission contained in paragraph 62 and annex II of its 2006 report;³

B

Contractual arrangements

Recalling section I.A, paragraph 4, of its resolution 57/285 of 20 December 2002, section I.B of its resolution 59/268 of 23 December 2004, and section IX of its resolution 59/266 of 23 December 2004,

1. *Notes* the decisions of the Commission contained in paragraph 129 of its 2005 report;²

2. *Notes with appreciation* the work of the Commission on the framework for contractual arrangements contained in annex IV of its 2005 report;

C

Hazard pay: review of the level

Recalling sections I.D of its resolutions 57/285 of 20 December 2002, 58/251 of 23 December 2003 and 59/268 of 23 December 2004,

Notes the decisions of the Commission contained in paragraph 147 and annex III of its 2005 report² for implementation as of 1 January 2007;

D

Entitlements of internationally recruited staff serving in non-family duty stations

Recalling section X, paragraphs 5 and 6, of its resolution 59/266 of 23 December 2004,

Decides to revert to consideration of the entitlements of internationally recruited staff serving in non-family duty stations at its second resumed sixty-first session following receipt of the report of the Commission on this issue;

E

Other

Requests the Commission to consider the effectiveness and impact of measures designed to promote retention and recruitment, especially in difficult duty stations, and to report thereon at its sixty-third session;

II

Conditions of service of staff in the Professional and higher categories

A

Evolution of the margin

Recalling section I.B of its resolution 51/216 of 18 December 1996 and the standing mandate from the General Assembly, in which the Commission is requested to continue its review of the relationship between the net remuneration of the United Nations staff in the Professional and higher categories in New York and that of the comparator civil service (the United States federal civil service) employees in comparable positions in Washington, D.C. (referred to as "the margin"),

1. *Notes* that the margin between net remuneration of the United Nations staff in grades P-1 to D-2 in New York and that of officials in comparable positions in the United States federal civil service in Washington, D.C., for the period 1 January to 31 December 2006 is 114.3;

2. *Reaffirms* that the range of 110 to 120 for the margin between the net remuneration of officials in the Professional and higher categories of the United Nations in New York and the officials in comparable positions in the comparator civil service should continue to apply, on the understanding that the margin would be maintained at a level around the desirable midpoint of 115 over a period of time;

B

Base/floor salary scale

Recalling its resolutions 44/198 of 21 December 1989, by which it established a floor net salary level for staff in the Professional and higher categories by

reference to the corresponding base net salary levels of officials in comparable positions serving at the base city of the comparator civil service (the United States federal civil service),

Approves, with effect from 1 January 2007, as recommended by the Commission, the revised base/floor scale of gross and net salaries for staff in the Professional and higher categories, as contained in paragraph 94 and annex IV of its 2006 report;³

C

Senior Management Network

1. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on the Senior Management Network;⁶

2. *Endorses* the decision of the Commission contained in paragraph 211 of its 2006 report;³

3. *Requests* the Commission to continue to monitor the project regarding the improvement of management capacity and performance among senior staff by the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination and to advise and make recommendations to the General Assembly as appropriate;

D

Gender balance

1. *Takes note* of the findings of the Commission contained in its 2006 report;³

2. *Notes with disappointment* the insufficient progress made with regard to the representation of women in the organizations of the United Nations common system, and in particular their significant underrepresentation at senior levels;

3. *Notes with concern* the findings of the Commission in paragraph 108 of its 2006 report;

4. *Urges* the Commission to continue to make recommendations on practical steps that should be taken to improve the representation of women in the organizations of the United Nations common system;

E

Children's and secondary dependant's allowances: review of the level

Approves the revised amounts of children's and secondary dependant's allowances as outlined in paragraph 126 and annex V of the 2006 report of the Commission;³

F

Identification of the highest paid national civil service

Takes note of the decision of the Commission to conclude its current total compensation study and to retain the current comparator;

G

Common scale of staff assessment

Takes note of the decisions of the Commission in paragraph 70 of its 2006 report;³

III

Strengthening of the international civil service

Reaffirming that the staff of the United Nations is an invaluable asset of the Organization, and commending its contribution to furthering the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

1. *Emphasizes* that the Commission's capacity as a source of technical expertise and policy advice should be further strengthened;

2. *Stresses* that the Commission's work shall be given the importance and attention it deserves by the governing bodies of the organizations of the common system;

3. *Decides* to institute a limit of two full terms for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Commission;

4. *Also decides* that the provision of paragraph 3 directly above shall apply to Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Commission appointed after 1 January 2008;

5. *Encourages* Member States to achieve a greater gender balance in the selection of members for the Commission;

6. *Urges* Member States when proposing candidates for membership of the Commission to take into account the qualifications and experience outlined in article 3 of its statute;

7. *Stresses* the importance of ensuring that candidates have managerial, leadership or executive experience, which should include knowledge of at least one of the following fields:

- (a) Human resources management principles and practices;
- (b) Organizational design and change management concepts and practices;
- (c) Leadership and strategic planning concepts and practices;
- (d) International and global issues: political, social and economic;

8. *Encourages* the Commission to continue to consider its working methods in consultation, where appropriate, with representatives of the staff and the organizations of the common system.



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of the United Nations**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions and decisions on the scale of assessments, including 43/223 B of 21 December 1988, 46/221 B of 20 December 1991, 55/5 B, C and D of 23 December 2000, 57/4 B of 20 December 2002 and 58/1 B of 23 December 2003,

Recalling also resolution 55/5 B in which the General Assembly decided to fix the elements of the scale of assessments for two successive scale periods until 2006, subject to the provisions of Part C of that resolution,

Recalling further paragraphs 5 and 6 of resolution 58/1 B,

Noting that the application of the current methodology has led to substantial increases in the rate of assessment of some Member States, including developing countries,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Contributions,¹

1. *Affirms* that the determination of the scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations shall remain the prerogative of the General Assembly;
2. *Reaffirms* the obligation of all Member States to bear the expenses of the United Nations, as apportioned by the General Assembly, in conformity with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations;
3. *Also reaffirms* the fundamental principle that the expenses of the Organization shall be apportioned broadly according to capacity to pay;

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/61/11).



4. *Further reaffirms* that the Committee on Contributions as a technical body is required to prepare the scale of assessments strictly on the basis of reliable, verifiable and comparable data;

5. *Decides* that the scale of assessments for the period 2007-2009 shall be based on the following elements and criteria:

- (a) Estimates of gross national income;
- (b) Average statistical base periods of six and three years;
- (c) Conversion rates based on market exchange rates, except where that would cause excessive fluctuations and distortions in the income of some Member States, when price-adjusted rates of exchange or other appropriate conversion rates should be employed, taking due account of General Assembly resolution 46/221 B;
- (d) The debt-burden approach employed in the scale of assessments for the period 2004-2006;
- (e) A low per capita income adjustment of 80 per cent, with a threshold per capita income limit of the average per capita gross national income of all Member States for the statistical base periods;
- (f) A minimum assessment rate of 0.001 per cent;
- (g) A maximum assessment rate for the least developed countries of 0.01 per cent;
- (h) A maximum assessment rate of 22 per cent;

6. *Resolves* that the scale of assessments for the contribution of Member States to the regular budget of the United Nations for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 shall be as follows:

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Afghanistan	0.001
Albania	0.006
Algeria	0.085
Andorra	0.008
Angola	0.003
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002
Argentina	0.325
Armenia	0.002
Australia	1.787
Austria	0.887
Azerbaijan	0.005
Bahamas	0.016
Bahrain	0.033
Bangladesh	0.010
Barbados	0.009
Belarus	0.020

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Belgium	1.102
Belize	0.001
Benin	0.001
Bhutan	0.001
Bolivia	0.006
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.006
Botswana	0.014
Brazil	0.876
Brunei Darussalam	0.026
Bulgaria	0.020
Burkina Faso	0.002
Burundi	0.001
Cambodia	0.001
Cameroon	0.009
Canada	2.977
Cape Verde	0.001
Central African Republic	0.001
Chad	0.001
Chile	0.161
China	2.667
Colombia	0.105
Comoros	0.001
Congo	0.001
Costa Rica	0.032
Côte d'Ivoire	0.009
Croatia	0.050
Cuba	0.054
Cyprus	0.044
Czech Republic	0.281
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.007
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.003
Denmark	0.739
Djibouti	0.001
Dominica	0.001
Dominican Republic	0.024
Ecuador	0.021
Egypt	0.088
El Salvador	0.020
Equatorial Guinea	0.002
Eritrea	0.001

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Estonia	0.016
Ethiopia	0.003
Fiji	0.003
Finland	0.564
France	6.301
Gabon	0.008
Gambia	0.001
Georgia	0.003
Germany	8.577
Ghana	0.004
Greece	0.596
Grenada	0.001
Guatemala	0.032
Guinea	0.001
Guinea-Bissau	0.001
Guyana	0.001
Haiti	0.002
Honduras	0.005
Hungary	0.244
Iceland	0.037
India	0.450
Indonesia	0.161
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.180
Iraq	0.015
Ireland	0.445
Israel	0.419
Italy	5.079
Jamaica	0.010
Japan	16.624
Jordan	0.012
Kazakhstan	0.029
Kenya	0.010
Kiribati	0.001
Kuwait	0.182
Kyrgyzstan	0.001
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.001
Latvia	0.018
Lebanon	0.034
Lesotho	0.001
Liberia	0.001

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.062
Liechtenstein	0.010
Lithuania	0.031
Luxembourg	0.085
Madagascar	0.002
Malawi	0.001
Malaysia	0.190
Maldives	0.001
Mali	0.001
Malta	0.017
Marshall Islands	0.001
Mauritania	0.001
Mauritius	0.011
Mexico	2.257
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001
Moldova	0.001
Monaco	0.003
Mongolia	0.001
Montenegro	0.001
Morocco	0.042
Mozambique	0.001
Myanmar	0.005
Namibia	0.006
Nauru	0.001
Nepal	0.003
Netherlands	1.873
New Zealand	0.256
Nicaragua	0.002
Niger	0.001
Nigeria	0.048
Norway	0.782
Oman	0.073
Pakistan	0.059
Palau	0.001
Panama	0.023
Papua New Guinea	0.002
Paraguay	0.005
Peru	0.078
Philippines	0.078
Poland	0.501

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Portugal	0.527
Qatar	0.085
Republic of Korea	2.173
Romania	0.070
Russian Federation	1.200
Rwanda	0.001
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001
Saint Lucia	0.001
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001
Samoa	0.001
San Marino	0.003
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001
Saudi Arabia	0.748
Senegal	0.004
Serbia	0.021
Seychelles	0.002
Sierra Leone	0.001
Singapore	0.347
Slovakia	0.063
Slovenia	0.096
Solomon Islands	0.001
Somalia	0.001
South Africa	0.290
Spain	2.968
Sri Lanka	0.016
Sudan	0.010
Suriname	0.001
Swaziland	0.002
Sweden	1.071
Switzerland	1.216
Syrian Arab Republic	0.016
Tajikistan	0.001
Thailand	0.186
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.005
Timor-Leste	0.001
Togo	0.001
Tonga	0.001
Trinidad and Tobago	0.027
Tunisia	0.031
Turkey	0.381

<i>Member State</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Turkmenistan	0.006
Tuvalu	0.001
Uganda	0.003
Ukraine	0.045
United Arab Emirates	0.302
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	6.642
United Republic of Tanzania	0.006
United States of America	22.000
Uruguay	0.027
Uzbekistan	0.008
Vanuatu	0.001
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.200
Viet Nam	0.024
Yemen	0.007
Zambia	0.001
Zimbabwe	0.008
Total	100.000

7. *Requests* the Committee on Contributions, in accordance with its mandate and the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, to review the elements of the methodology of the scale of assessments in order to reflect Member States' capacity to pay and report thereon to the Assembly by the main part of its sixty-third session;

8. *Resolves* that:

(a) Notwithstanding the terms of financial regulation 3.9,² the Secretary-General shall be empowered to accept, at his discretion and after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee on Contributions, a portion of the contributions of Member States for the calendar years 2007, 2008 and 2009 in currencies other than the United States dollar;

(b) In accordance with financial regulation 3.8,² the Holy See, which is not a member of the United Nations but which participates in certain of its activities, shall be called upon to contribute towards the expenses of the Organization for 2007, 2008 and 2009 on the basis of a notional assessment rate of 0.001 per cent, which represents the basis for the calculation of the flat annual fees to be charged to the Holy See in accordance with General Assembly resolution 44/197 B of 21 December 1989;

9. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Committee on Contributions contained in paragraph 132 of its report;³

² See ST/SGB/2003/7.

³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/61/11).*

10. *Decides* that the rate of assessment for Montenegro, admitted to membership of the United Nations on 28 June 2006, should be 0.001 per cent for the year 2006;

11. *Also decides* that Montenegro shall contribute at the rate of one twelfth of this percentage for each full month of membership in 2006;

12. *Further decides* that the contributions of Montenegro for 2006 shall be applied to the same basis of assessment as for other Member States, except that, in the case of appropriations or apportionments approved by the General Assembly for the financing of peacekeeping operations, the contributions of Montenegro, as determined by the level of contribution for peacekeeping operations to which it is assigned in 2006, pursuant to the provisions of Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, shall be calculated in proportion to the calendar year;

13. *Decides* that the assessments of Montenegro for 2006 shall be deducted from those of the former Serbia and Montenegro for that year;

14. *Also decides* that, in accordance with financial regulation 3.7,² the advance of Montenegro to the Working Capital Fund should be calculated by the application of its rate of assessment for the year 2006 to the authorized level of the Fund and should be added to the Fund, pending its incorporation in a 100 per cent scale for the Fund for 2006-2007, pursuant to the related provisions of General Assembly resolution 60/283 of 7 July 2006;

15. *Notes* that, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 47/217 of 23 December 1992, the assessment of Montenegro for the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund should be calculated by the application of its first rate of assessment for peacekeeping operations to the authorized level of the Fund;

16. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on multi-year payment plans⁴ and of the related conclusions and recommendations of the Committee on Contributions;⁵

17. *Reaffirms* paragraph 1 of resolution 57/4 B;

18. *Urges* all Member States to pay their assessed contributions in full, on time and without imposing conditions;

19. *Encourages* Member States in arrears in the assessed contributions to the United Nations to consider submitting multi-year payment plans.

⁴ A/61/68.

⁵ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/61/11), paras. 75-78.*

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United Nations pension system**Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations****United Nations pension system**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 55/224 of 23 December 2000, 57/286 of 20 December 2002 and 59/269 of 23 December 2004 and resolution 60/248, section III, of 23 December 2005,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board for 2006 to the General Assembly and to the member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,¹ the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the Fund² and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,³

I**Actuarial matters**

Recalling its resolutions 57/286, section I, and 59/269, section I,

Having considered the results of the valuation of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, which revealed a fifth consecutive actuarial surplus as at 31 December 2005, and the observations thereon by the consulting actuary of the Fund, the Committee of Actuaries and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board,

1. *Takes note of the results of the actuarial valuation of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, which went from an actuarial surplus of 0.36 per cent of pensionable remuneration as at 31 December 1997 to an actuarial surplus of 4.25 per cent of pensionable remuneration as at 31 December 1999, to an actuarial surplus of 2.92 per cent of pensionable remuneration as at 31 December 2001, to an actuarial surplus of 1.14 per cent of pensionable remuneration as at 31 December*

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/61/9).

² A/C.5/61/2.

³ A/61/545.



2003 and to an actuarial surplus of 1.29 per cent of pensionable remuneration as at 31 December 2005 and, in particular, of the opinions provided by the consulting actuary and the Committee of Actuaries, as reproduced in annexes VII and VIII, respectively, to the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board;¹

2. *Notes* that the Committee of Actuaries expressed the view that based on the continuation of the surplus, a portion of the surplus disclosed in 2005 could be made available at the present time to improve benefits, but that prudence would dictate that most of the surplus should be retained;

3. *Recalls* that the Assembly had already approved in 2002, in principle, the change in the benefit provisions of the Regulations of the Fund that would eliminate the limitation on the right to restoration based on the length of prior service;

4. *Approves* the change in the benefit provisions of the Regulations of the Fund, as set out in annex XVII of the report of the Board, to eliminate the limitation on the right to restoration for existing and future participants based on the length of the prior contributory service;

5. *Takes note* of the Board's decision to amend the Fund's Rules of Procedure to provide for the appointment of ad hoc members to the Committee of Actuaries as well as to the Investments Committee;

6. *Concurs*, in accordance with article 13 of the Regulations of the Fund and with a view to securing continuity of pension rights, with the following:

(a) The revised Agreement on the transfer of pension rights of participants in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and of participants in the World Bank Group Staff Retirement Plan,⁴ as approved by the Board and set out in annex IX to the report of the Board, which will take effect from 1 January 2007;

(b) The new Agreement on the transfer of pension rights of participants in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and of participants in the Coordinated Organizations,⁵ as set out in annex IX to the report of the Board, which will take effect from 1 January 2007;

7. *Decides*, upon the affirmative recommendation of the Board, that the International Organization for Migration shall be admitted as a new member organization of the Fund, effective 1 January 2007;

II

Pension Adjustment System

Recalling its resolutions 57/286, section II, and 59/269, section II,

Having considered the reviews carried out by the consulting actuary, the Committee of Actuaries and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, as set out in the Board's report, of various aspects of the pension adjustment system,

1. *Takes note* of the recommendation of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board that as from 1 April 2007, the current reduction in the first consumer price index adjustments due under the pension adjustment system of the United

⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/61/9)*, annex IX, sect. A.

⁵ *Ibid.*, sect. B.

Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund to benefits in award should be lowered from 1.0 per cent to 0.5 per cent and that a 0.5 per cent increase should be applied on the occasion of the next adjustment to benefits being paid to existing retirees and beneficiaries who have already had the 1.0 per cent reduction applied to their benefits;

2. *Approves*, accordingly, with effect from 1 April 2007, the changes in the pension adjustment system, as set out in annex XVIII to the Board's report;¹

3. *Recalls* its decision in section II of its resolution 59/269 to invite the Board to provide information on the special situation of pensioners living in countries having undergone dollarization and on possible proposals to attenuate the adverse consequences arising therefrom, and notes that the Board did not agree on a recommendation to attenuate the adverse consequences of pensioners living in countries having undergone dollarization;

4. *Takes into account* that the Board reached consensus on the fact that dollarization has had adverse effects on the purchasing power of some retirees and beneficiaries living in Ecuador, and requested the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer to visit the Fund's retirees living there;

5. *Invites* the Board to present in 2007 a viable ad hoc measure to adequately attenuate the adverse consequences arising from dollarization in Ecuador after consulting with the Committee of Actuaries;

III

Financial statements of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and report of the Board of Auditors

Having considered the financial statements of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund for the biennium ended 31 December 2005, the audit opinion and report of the Board of Auditors thereon, the information provided on the internal audits of the Fund and the observations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board,¹

Notes that the report of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund for the biennium ended 31 December 2005 indicated that the financial statements were in compliance with accepted standard accounting principles and that the transactions of the Pension Fund were, in all significant respects, in accordance with the Financial Regulations and legislative authority;⁶

IV

Administrative arrangements and revised budget of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

Recalling section IV of its resolution 57/286, section X of its resolution 58/272, section IV of its resolution 59/269 and section III of its resolution 60/248 concerning the administrative arrangements and expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,

⁶ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/61/9)*, annex X.

Having considered chapter VII of the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board¹ on the administrative arrangements of the Fund,

1. *Takes note* of the information set out in paragraphs 132 and 133 of the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the revised budget estimates for the biennium 2006-2007;¹

2. *Approves* the increase in total additional resources for the biennium 2006-2007 from 108,262,500 dollars to 110,665,500 dollars for the following:

(a) Reclassification of two information technology posts in the Fund secretariat;

(b) Travel expenses related to the newly established Audit Committee;

(c) Enhancement of the Investment Management Service through the addition of five new posts, indexed management costs, including the costs of transition management services, and consultant costs;

(d) Enhancement of the external audit functions of the Fund and expansion of the Fund's internal audit coverage;

(e) Administrative costs to implement the approved modifications in the benefit provisions;

3. *Notes* that the Board requested the Fund to continue its efforts to consolidate the information technology services of the secretariat of the Fund and those of the Investment Management Service;

4. *Also notes* that the Board agreed that its expenses would continue to be shared and charged to the Fund's member organizations under the current methodology until 1 January 2008, at which time all Board expenses would be included in the Fund's budget and charged as administrative expenses;

V Survivors' benefits

Recalling its resolutions 55/224, section V, 57/286, section V, and 59/269, section VI,

1. *Notes* that the Board requested the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer to present to the Board in 2007 a comprehensive study on the benefit provisions related to family members of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund participants and retirees;

2. *Also notes* that the Board agreed that the Fund would record, for the purposes of eventually determining entitlements to pension benefits under articles 34 and 35 of the Regulations of the Fund, the personal status of a participant as recognized and reported to the Fund by the participant's employing organization;

VI Size and composition of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and its Standing Committee

Stressing the importance of fair representation of participating organizations in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and its Standing Committee,

1. *Takes note* of the information set out in the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board¹ on the review of the size and composition of the Board and its Standing Committee, particularly the Board's decision not to recommend any change in its size and composition;

2. *Notes* in this regard that the Board recognized that its decision to retain the current size of the Board, composition and allocation of seats did not fully respond to resolution 57/286 regarding the size and composition of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to achieve fairer representation;

3. *Also notes* that the Board agreed to review its size and composition after it had had adequate time to assess the results of its other decisions under this item, which focused primarily on improving efficiency;

4. *Notes with satisfaction* the recommendations adopted by the Board with a view to improving the efficiency of its work and its intention to consider a policy paper in 2007 on membership and attendance at meetings of the Board and its Standing Committee;

5. *Takes note* of the Board's decision to amend the Rules of Procedure of the Fund in order to make formal provision for the additional alternate representative of the General Assembly to attend the meetings of the Standing Committee, as approved provisionally by the Board in 2004;

6. *Also takes note* of the Board's decision that the costs related to two retiree representatives attending the sessions of the Board and one retiree representative attending the sessions of the Standing Committee would be shared as an expense of the Board on a provisional basis until its 2008 session, at which time the Board would consider means for duly electing the representatives for the retirees;

7. *Notes* that the Board also decided to revert to annual sessions as from 2007 with the aim of completing its work within five working days; the Board's focus during the odd-numbered years will be on the budget of the Fund;

VII

Other matters

1. *Takes note* of the Board's decision to establish an Audit Committee to provide an enhanced communications channel for the internal auditors, the external auditors and the Pension Board, with the consequent revision in the Rules of Procedure of the Fund. In this regard, it endorses the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions that the Audit Committee be composed of members with relevant expertise in accounting, financial management, including risk management, and audit;

2. *Notes* that the Board endorsed the Fund's enterprise-wide risk management policy;

3. *Takes note* of the observations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, as set out in its report,¹ on the review and conclusions reached by the International Civil Service Commission on the changes in average tax rates at the headquarters duty stations, which formed the basis for the development of the current common scale of staff assessment for pensionable remuneration;

4. *Notes* that the Board considered a detailed report of the medical consultant covering the period from 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2005;

5. *Also notes* that the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board intends to review the current provisions for special adjustments for small pensions and the current arrangements regarding the periodicity of cost-of-living adjustments at its sessions in 2007 and 2008, respectively;

6. *Requests* the Pension Board to consider, during its review of small pensions, the negative impact of administrative expenses, transaction fees or bank commissions regarding the benefits in order to remedy such impact and to report to it thereon at its sixty-third session as part of the Board's review, and invites the Board to explore the possibility of further diversifying banking transactions;

7. *Notes* that the Board intends to keep the possible provision for the purchase of additional years of contributory service under periodic review;

8. *Also notes* that the Board decided to maintain both the current system for establishing benefits in respect of locally recruited staff in the Professional category and the methodology currently used in the determination of final average remuneration for staff in the General Service category; both issues will continue to be monitored by the Fund secretariat;

9. *Takes note* of the other matters dealt with in the report of the Board;

10. *Calls* on the Investment Management Service to expeditiously implement the recommendations of the Board of Auditors with regard to the determination of the level of tolerance for risk, improvement in internal review of performance and the trade order management system;

11. *Requests* that all vacant Professional posts, including the five new posts in the Investment Management Service endorsed by the present resolution, be expeditiously filled;

VIII

Investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund² and the observations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, as set out in its report;¹

2. *Notes* the increase in the market value of the assets of the Fund and the positive returns achieved during the biennium and, in particular, the 4.3 per cent annualized real rate of return over the 46-year period ending 31 March 2006;

3. *Stresses* the need for a comprehensive asset-liability management study, including assessment of financial risks and recommendations on asset allocation, and a study of the Fund's governance, with special regard to the relationship between the Fund secretariat and the Investment Management Service, the results thereof to be provided to the Board for consideration;

4. *Notes* that the Board endorsed the intention of the representative of the Secretary-General for the investments of the fund to manage the North American equities portfolio in the passive mode using the current benchmark indices;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to fully adhere to the Financial Rules and Regulations of the United Nations⁷ and General Assembly resolutions on procurement when procuring services for the passive management and report to the Board thereon at its next session;

6. *Notes* that the Board encouraged the Investment Management Service of the Fund to adhere to the principles of the Global Compact to the extent possible without compromising the four established investment criteria of safety, profitability, liquidity and convertibility, and urged the Investment Management Service to continue its efforts to collect tax refunds from several Member States;

IX.

Diversification

Recalling its resolutions 36/119 A to C of 10 December 1981 and 59/269 of 23 December 2004,

1. *Takes note* with concern of the modest increases in investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund in developing countries, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session on further steps and efforts undertaken to increase, to the maximum extent possible, investments in developing countries;

2. *Reaffirms* the policy of diversification of the investments of the Fund across geographical areas, wherever this serves the interests of the participants and beneficiaries of the Fund, in accordance with the four criteria of safety, profitability, liquidity and convertibility.

⁷ ST/SGB/2003/7.

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Draft report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 13 September 2006, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 6th, 10th, 13th, 18th, 19th, 22nd, 24th, 27th, 28th, 34th, 35th, 36th and 37th meetings, on 16, 25 and 31 October, 6, 9, 17 and 22 November, and 7, 11, 18 and 20 to 22 December 2006. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/61/SR.6, 10, 13, 18, 19, 22, 24, 27, 28, 34, 35, 36 and 37).

3. Section II of the present report contains a summary of the recommendations made by the Fifth Committee during the sixty-first session of the General Assembly on the revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and on the programme budget implications of resolutions adopted by the Assembly, either on the recommendation of its Main Committees or in respect of items considered in plenary meeting.

4. Section III contains a summary of the special subjects considered by the Fifth Committee that led to the adoption of specific decisions to be recommended for adoption by the General Assembly.

5. The recommendations of the Fifth Committee are contained in section IV.



II. Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

6. In its resolutions 60/247 A and B of 23 December 2005, the General Assembly approved budget appropriations for the biennium 2006-2007 in the amount of \$3,798,912,500 and income estimates in the amount of \$427,355,200. By its resolutions 60/281 and 60/283 of 30 June 2006 and 7 July 2006, further appropriations were approved resulting in revised appropriations of \$3,829,916,200 and revised income estimates in the amount of \$434,860,100.

7. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee during the current session of the General Assembly on revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General, as well as on the programme budget implications of resolutions adopted by the Assembly under items considered by other Main Committees or in respect of items considered in plenary meeting, have resulted in a net increase in the approved level of appropriations in the amount of \$343,979,700 and a net increase in the approved income estimates in the amount of \$51,509,800.

8. The revised estimates of expenditure and income approved by the Fifth Committee and the financial implications of resolutions recommended by other Main Committees and subsequently by the General Assembly are indicated, by expenditure and income section, in the following table:

(United States dollars)

Section		Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
A. Expenditure sections				
1.	Overall policymaking, direction and coordination	74 959 100		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 044 600	
	Subtotal	74 959 100	2 044 600	77 003 700
2.	General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	586 776 200		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		15 736 300	
	Subtotal	586 776 200	15 736 300	602 512 500
3.	Political affairs	451 092 600		
(a)	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		3 020 200	
(b)	Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (A/C.5/61/13/Rev.1, A/61/641 and A/C.5/61/SR.33)		2 141 800	
(c)	Estimates in respect of special political missions, goods offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1 and Add.4 and 5, A/61/640, A/C.5/61/SR.34)		230 616 400	
	Subtotal	451 092 600	235 778 400	686 871 000

Section	Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
4. Disarmament	20 381 100		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		90 400	
Subtotal	20 381 100	90 400	20 471 500
5. Peacekeeping operations	94 091 000		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 579 600	
Subtotal	94 091 000	2 579 600	96 670 600
6. Peaceful uses of outer space	5 906 800		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		268 900	
Subtotal	5 906 800	268 900	6 175 700
7. International Court of Justice	34 956 900		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 828 100	
Subtotal	34 956 900	1 828 100	36 785 000
8. Legal affairs	42 289 400		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		(136 400)	
Subtotal	42 289 400	(136 400)	42 153 000
9. Economic and social affairs	157 930 900		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		(456 800)	
Subtotal	157 930 900	(456 800)	157 474 100
10. Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	5 056 800		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		(4 100)	
Subtotal	5 056 800	(4 100)	5 052 700
11. United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	10 791 900		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		11 200	
Subtotal	10 791 900	11 200	10 803 100
12. Trade and development	111 091 600		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		6 061 300	
Subtotal	111 091 600	6 061 300	117 152 900
13. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	25 915 800		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		985 700	
Subtotal	25 915 800	985 700	26 901 500

Section		Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
14.	Environment	11 977 100		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		309 500	
	Subtotal	11 977 100	309 500	12 286 600
15.	Human settlements	17 864 500		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		424 900	
	Subtotal	17 864 500	424 900	18 289 400
16.	International drug control, crime prevention and criminal justice	31 527 800		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 310 600	
	Subtotal	31 527 800	1 310 600	32 838 400
17.	Economic and social development in Africa	106 011 400		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 392 800	
	Subtotal	106 011 400	1 392 800	107 404 200
18.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	71 858 100		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 806 700	
	Subtotal	71 858 100	2 806 700	74 664 800
19.	Economic development in Europe	54 176 700		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 933 300	
	Subtotal	54 176 700	2 933 300	57 110 000
20.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	94 630 400		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 549 700	
	Subtotal	94 630 400	2 549 700	97 180 100
21.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	53 416 900		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 907 700	
	Subtotal	53 416 900	2 907 700	56 324 600
22.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	45 622 000		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 259 400	
	Subtotal	45 622 000	1 259 400	46 881 400
23.	Human rights	83 088 400		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		4 920 700	
	Subtotal	83 088 400	4 920 700	88 009 100

Section	Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
24. Protection of and assistance to refugees	64 645 200		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		2 386 000	
Subtotal	64 645 200	2 386 000	67 031 200
25. Palestine refugees	35 184 800		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 546 500	
Subtotal	35 184 800	1 546 500	36 731 300
26. Humanitarian assistance	26 140 500		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		425 500	
Subtotal	26 140 500	425 500	26 566 000
27. Public information	177 302 500		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		1 549 300	
Subtotal	177 302 500	1 549 300	178 851 800
28. Management and support services	515 239 300		
(a) First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		7 916 200	
(b) Investing in people (A/61/255, A/61/537 and A/C.5/61/SR.12)		4 822 700	
Subtotal	515 239 300	12 738 900	527 978 200
29. Internal oversight	31 330 100		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		215 100	
Subtotal	31 330 100	215 100	31 545 200
30. Jointly financed and administrative activities	11 602 800		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		(3 803 600)	
Subtotal	11 602 800	(3 803 600)	7 799 200
31. Special expenses	92 798 000		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		680 900	
Subtotal	92 798 000	680 900	93 478 900
32. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	74 841 300		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		3 690 700	
Subtotal	74 841 300	3 690 700	78 532 000
33. Security and safety	190 131 400		
First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		5 406 400	
Subtotal	190 131 400	5 406 400	195 537 800

Section		Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
34.	Development account	13 954 100		
(a)	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		26 800	
(b)	Identification of additional resources for the Development Account A/61/282, A/61/479 and A/C.5/61/SR.16)		2 500 000	
	Subtotal	13 954 100	2 526 800	16 480 900
35.	Staff assessment	405 332 800		
(a)	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		8 362 700	
(b)	Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (A/C.5/61/13/Rev.1, A/61/641 and A/C.5/61/SR.33)		202 900	
(c)	Investing in people (A/61/255, A/61/537 and A/C.5/61/SR.12)		65 200	
(d)	Estimates in respect of special political missions, goods offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1 and Add.4 and 5, A/61/640 and Corr.1, A/C.5/61/SR.34)		22 383 900	
	Subtotal	405 332 800	31 014 700	436 347 500
	Total expenditure estimates (gross)	3 829 916 200	343 979 700	4 173 895 900
B. Income sections				
1.	Income from staff assessment	409 239 700		
(a)	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		8 895 800	
(b)	Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (A/C.5/61/13/Rev.1, A/61/641 and A/C.5/61/SR.33)		202 900	
(c)	Investing in people (A/61/255, A/61/537 and A/C.5/61/SR.12)		65 200	
(d)	Estimates in respect of special political missions, goods offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1 and Add.4 and 5, A/61/640 and Corr.1, A/C.5/61/SR.34)		22 383 900	
	Subtotal	409 239 700	31 547 800	440 787 500
2.	General income	20 867 000		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		20 774 400	
	Subtotal	20 867 000	20 774 400	41 641 400
3.	Services to the public	4 753 400		
	First performance report (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1, A/61/635 and A/C.5/61/SR.34)		(812 400)	
	Subtotal	4 753 400	(812 400)	3 941 000
	Total income estimates	434 860 100	51 509 800	486 369 900

9. At its 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Committee considered the revised estimates of expenditure and income to be recommended for approval by the General Assembly for the biennium 2006-2007, as well as the financing of the appropriations for the year 2007. The Committee took the following action:

(a) The Committee approved the revised budget appropriations for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 37, draft resolution II.A);

(b) The Committee approved revised income estimates for the biennium 2006-2007 (see para. 37, draft resolution II.B);

(c) The Committee approved the draft resolution on the financing of appropriations for the year 2007 (see para. 37, draft resolution II.C).

III. Consideration of questions relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

Construction of additional conference facilities at the Vienna International Centre

10. The Committee considered this question at its 6th meeting, on 16 October. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/166), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/361).

11. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Construction of additional conference facilities at the Vienna International Centre" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. I), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Côte d'Ivoire. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. I).

Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

12. The Committee considered this question at its 6th meeting, on 16 October. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/158), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/362).

13. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Construction of additional conference facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. II), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Côte d'Ivoire. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. II).

Contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration

14. The Committee considered this question at its 6th meeting, on 16 October. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/295), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/480).

15. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. III), informal consultations on

which had been coordinated by the representative of Yemen. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. III).

Identification of additional resources for the Development Account

16. The Committee considered this question at its 6th meeting, on 16 October. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/282), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/479).

17. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Identification of additional resources for the Development Account" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. IV), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Angola. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. IV).

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its first, resumed second, and third sessions and its first, second and third special sessions in 2006

18. The Committee considered this question at its 34th meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/530 and A/61/530/Add.1) and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman (see A/C.5/61/SR.34).

19. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Revised estimates arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its first, resumed second, and third sessions and its first, second and third special sessions in 2006" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. V), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Morocco. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. V).

Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the reports of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005 and 2006

20. The Committee considered this question at its 10th meeting, on 25 October. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/381, A/61/30 and Corr.1), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/484).

21. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the reports of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005 and 2006" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. VI), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Morocco. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VI).

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

22. The Committee considered this question at its 34th meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/525 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1 and Add.4 and Add.5), the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/357) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/640).

23. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. VII), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Namibia. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VII).

First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

24. The Committee considered this question at its 34th meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/593 and Add.1) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/635).

25. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. VIII), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Bangladesh. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VIII).

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2006

26. The Committee considered this question at its 34th meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/370 and Corr.1), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/498).

27. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2006" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. IX), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Morocco. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. IX).

Administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

28. The Committee considered this question at its 27th meeting, on 7 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/577) and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman (see A/C.5/61/SR.27).

29. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. X), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Morocco. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. X).

Strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body

30. The Committee considered this question at its 27th meeting, on 7 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/61/10) and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman (see A/C.5/61/SR.27).

31. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body" (A/C.5/61/L.25, sect. XI), informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Morocco. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. XI).

Contingency fund

32. The Committee considered this question at its 37th meeting, on 22 December. At the same meeting the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it note that a balance of 637,300 dollars would remain in the contingency fund (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. XII).

United Nations Fund for International Partnerships

33. The Committee considered this question at its 19th meeting, on 9 November. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/189).

34. At the 19th meeting, on 9 November, the Chairman of the Committee introduced an oral draft decision entitled "United Nations Fund for International Partnerships". At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 38, draft decision I).

Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies

35. The Committee considered this question at its 35th meeting, on 20 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/61/17) and the related oral report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/C.5/61/SR.35).

36. At the 35th meeting, on 20 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft decision entitled "Review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies", informal consultations on which had been coordinated by the representative of Belgium. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 38, draft decision II).

IV. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee

37. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

Draft resolution I

Questions relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

[Insert draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.25]

Draft resolution II

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

A

Revised budget appropriations for the biennium 2006-2007

The General Assembly,

Resolves that, for the biennium 2006-2007, the amount of 3,829,916,200 United States dollars appropriated by it in its resolutions 60/247 A of 23 December 2005, 60/281 of 30 June 2006, and 60/283 of 7 July 2006 shall be adjusted by 343,979,700 dollars, as follows:

(United States dollars)

<i>Budget section</i>		<i>Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/281 and 60/283</i>	<i>Increase (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised appropriation</i>
Part I.	<i>Overall policymaking, direction and coordination</i>			
1.	Overall policymaking, direction and coordination	74 959 100	2 044 600	77 003 700
2.	General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	586 776 200	15 736 300	602 512 500
Total, part I		661 735 300	17 780 900	679 516 200
Part II.	<i>Political affairs</i>			
3.	Political affairs	451 092 600	235 778 400	686 871 000
4.	Disarmament	20 381 100	90 400	20 471 500
5.	Peacekeeping operations	94 091 000	2 579 600	96 670 600
6.	Peaceful uses of outer space	5 906 800	268 900	6 175 700
Total, part II		571 471 500	238 717 300	810 188 800
Part III.	<i>International justice and law</i>			
7.	International Court of Justice	34 956 900	1 828 100	36 785 000
8.	Legal affairs	42 289 400	(136 400)	42 153 000
Total, part III		77 246 300	1 691 700	78 938 000

<i>Budget section</i>	<i>Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/281 and 60/283</i>	<i>Increase (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised appropriation</i>
Part IV. <i>International cooperation for development</i>			
9. Economic and social affairs	157 930 900	(456 800)	157 474 100
10. Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	5 056 800	(4 100)	5 052 700
11. United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	10 791 900	11 200	10 803 100
12. Trade and development	111 091 600	6 061 300	117 152 900
13. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	25 915 800	985 700	26 901 500
14. Environment	11 977 100	309 500	12 286 600
15. Human settlements	17 864 500	424 900	18 289 400
16. International drug control, crime prevention and criminal justice	31 527 800	1 310 600	32 838 400
Total, part IV	372 156 400	8 642 300	380 798 700
Part V. <i>Regional cooperation for development</i>			
17. Economic and social development in Africa	106 011 400	1 392 800	107 404 200
18. Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	71 858 100	2 806 700	74 664 800
19. Economic development in Europe	54 176 700	2 933 300	57 110 000
20. Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	94 630 400	2 549 700	97 180 100
21. Economic and social development in Western Asia	53 416 900	2 907 700	56 324 600
22. Regular programme of technical cooperation	45 622 000	1 259 400	46 881 400
Total, part V	425 715 500	13 849 600	439 565 100
Part VI. <i>Human rights and humanitarian affairs</i>			
23. Human rights	83 088 400	4 920 700	88 009 100
24. Protection of and assistance to refugees	64 645 200	2 386 000	67 031 200
25. Palestine refugees	35 184 800	1 546 500	36 731 300
26. Humanitarian assistance	26 140 500	425 500	26 566 000
Total, part VI	209 058 900	9 278 700	218 337 600
Part VII. <i>Public information</i>			
27. Public information	177 302 500	1 549 300	178 851 800
Total, part VII	177 302 500	1 549 300	178 851 800
Part VIII. <i>Common support services</i>			
28. Management and support services	515 239 300	12 738 900	527 978 200
Total, part VIII	515 239 300	12 738 900	527 978 200
Part IX. <i>Internal oversight</i>			
29. Internal oversight	31 330 100	215 100	31 545 200
Total, part IX	31 330 100	215 100	31 545 200

<i>Budget section</i>	<i>Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 A, 60/281 and 60/283</i>	<i>Increase (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised appropriation</i>
Part X. <i>Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses</i>			
30. Jointly financed administrative activities	11 602 800	(3 803 600)	7 799 200
31. Special expenses	92 798 000	680 900	93 478 900
Total, part X	104 400 800	(3 122 700)	101 278 100
Part XI. <i>Capital expenditures</i>			
32. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	74 841 300	3 690 700	78 532 000
Total, part XI	74 841 300	3 690 700	78 532 000
Part XII. <i>Safety and security</i>			
33. Safety and security	190 131 400	5 406 400	195 537 800
Total, part XII	190 131 400	5 406 400	195 537 800
Part XIII. <i>Development Account</i>			
34. Development Account	13 954 100	2 526 800	16 480 900
Total, part XIII	13 954 100	2 526 800	16 480 900
Part XIV. <i>Staff assessment</i>			
35. Staff assessment	405 332 800	31 014 700	436 347 500
Total, part XIV	405 332 800	31 014 700	436 347 500
Grand total	3 829 916 200	343 979 700	4 173 895 900

B**Revised income estimates for the biennium 2006-2007**

The General Assembly,

Resolves that, for the biennium 2006-2007, the estimates of income of 434,860,100 United States dollars approved by it in its resolutions 60/247 B of 23 December 2005, 60/281 of 30 June 2006, and 60/283 of 7 July 2006 shall be increased by 51,509,800 dollars, as follows:

(United States dollars)

<i>Income section</i>	<i>Amount approved in resolutions 60/247 B, 60/281 and 60/283</i>	<i>Increase (decrease)</i>	<i>Revised estimate</i>
1. Income from staff assessment	409 239 700	31 547 800	440 787 500
Total	409 239 700	31 547 800	440 787 500
2. General income	20 867 000	20 774 400	41 641 400
3. Services to the public	4 753 400	(812 400)	3 941 000
Total	25 620 400	19 962 000	45 582 400
Grand total	434 860 100	51 509 800	486 369 900

C

Financing of the appropriations for the year 2007

The General Assembly,

Resolves that, for the year 2007:

1. Budget appropriations totalling 2,274,439,650 United States dollars, and consisting of 1,899,456,250 United States dollars, being half of the appropriation initially approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in its resolution 60/247 A of 23 December 2005, 26,443,300 dollars, being the additional appropriation approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in its resolution 60/281 of 30 June 2006, 4,560,400 dollars, being the additional appropriation approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in its resolution 60/283 of 7 July 2006, and 343,979,700 dollars, being the increase approved in resolution A above, shall be financed in accordance with regulations 3.1 and 3.2 of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations,¹ as follows:

(a) 32,772,200 dollars, consisting of:

(i) 12,810,200 dollars, being half of the estimated income other than staff assessment approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in its resolution 60/247 B of 23 December 2005;

(ii) 19,962,000 dollars, being the increase in income other than staff assessment approved for the biennium 2006-2007 in resolution B above;

(b) 2,241,667,450 dollars, being the assessment on Member States in accordance with its resolution 61/235 C of 22 December 2006;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the total amount of 240,912,700 dollars, consisting of:

(a) 200,867,400 dollars, being half of the estimated staff assessment income approved by the Assembly in its resolution 60/247 B;

(b) 7,377,600 dollars, being the estimated increase in income from staff assessment approved by the Assembly in its resolution 60/281;

(c) 127,300 dollars, being the estimated increase in income from staff assessment approved by the Assembly in its resolution 60/283;

(d) 31,547,800 dollars, being the estimated increase in income from staff assessment approved by the Assembly in resolution B above;

(e) 992,600 dollars, being the increase in income from staff assessment for the biennium 2004-2005 compared with the revised estimates approved by the Assembly in its resolution 60/245 B of 23 December 2005.

¹ ST/SGB/2003/7.

38. The Fifth Committee also recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
United Nations Fund for International Partnerships

The General Assembly takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships.¹

¹ A/61/189.

Draft decision II
Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within
the United Nations and its funds, programmes and
specialized agencies

The General Assembly, having considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General¹ of programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.15 and the related oral report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:²

(a) Notes that, should it adopt the draft resolution entitled "Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies",³ the activities requested under the resolution would be added to the programme of work approved in resolution 60/246, under section 28, Management and support service;

(b) Also notes that resource requirements for the activities requested would amount to \$1,316,200 gross (or \$1,206,300 net) for the biennium 2006-2007 to be accommodated to the fullest extent possible from within the appropriations available under sections 28A, Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management, 28D, Office of Central Support Services, and 35, Staff assessment, to be offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment, and any additional requirements as may be necessary would be reported in the context of the second performance report for the biennium 2006-2007.

¹ A/C.5/61/17.

² A/C.5/61/SR.35.

³ A/C.5/61/L.15.



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Questions deferred for future consideration

Section A

The General Assembly decides to defer until the resumed part of its sixty-first session consideration of the following agenda item and related documents:

Item 127

Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

(a) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006 (A/61/264 (Part I) and Add.1-2);

(b) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of the programme and administrative management of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (A/61/61);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of programme management and administrative practices of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (A/61/61/Add.1);

Section B

The General Assembly decides to defer until its sixty-second session consideration of the following documents under agenda item 122:

Item 122

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the unpaid assessed contributions of the former Yugoslavia (A/60/140 and Corr.1);



(e) Letter dated 2 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.5/61/11);

(f) Letter dated 27 December 2001 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/56/767);

(g) Note by the Secretary-General on the outstanding assessed contributions of the former Yugoslavia (A/58/189).
